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Hydroplane Boat Races Affect Access to J. Percy Priest Lake

NASHVILLE, TENN, (Sept. 7, 2005) — The Music City Hydrofest set for J. Percy

Priest Lake Friday, September 9 through Sunday, September 11 will mean restricted access to some areas of the lake.

Although the boat race event will be staged from Nashville Shores, located near the J. Percy Priest Dam, it will be necessary to close certain areas of the lake and the project to ensure public safety and security of the project.

The area of the lake set aside for the races will be closed to all boat traffic Friday, Saturday, and Sunday during race times (6 a.m. until 6 p.m.). This area extends downstream from Goose Island to the J. Percy Priest Dam. The Old Hickory Boulevard boat ramp will also be closed to the public during this period.

On Saturday, September 10 and Sunday, September 11, the section of Bell Road that crosses J. Percy Priest Dam will be closed to all traffic from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. This closure will also affect the Metro Greenway trail head located below the dam. The dam, the overlook area, and the J. Percy Priest Visitor Center parking areas will be closed to the public during the race. Public parking and viewing of the races will be available at Nashville Shores. For information regarding the races, call 615-742-3133. For information about J. Percy Priest Lake, call 889-1975.

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